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Allegiance Health. Jackson

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Bronson Healthcare Group, Kalamazoo

Covenant HealthCare. Saginaw

Lakeland HealthCare. St. Joseph

Munson Healthcare. Traverse City

Sparrow Health System, Lansina

Spectrum Health. Grand Rapids Members of the Michigan Senate,

Value Health Partners is a strategic collaborative of 7 high performing health systems in Michigan. Executive leadership from Spectrum Health, Sparrow Health, Lakeland Healthcare, Munson Healthcare, Covenant Healthcare, Bronson Healthcare Group and Allegiance Health direct the work of VHP. Our mission is to achieve high quality and low cost for the communities we serve.

Value Health Partners is an ardent supporter of the Certificate of Need program. The CON commission has worked to keep costs down in Michigan. We are about to experience enormous changes with the impending implementation of health care reform. In Michigan, we need to support systems that have consistently proven to hold costs down. We strongly oppose any effort to circumvent the CON process. We strongly oppose Senate Bill 1269.

Sincerely,

Mary Kay VanDriel President

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